RESOLUTION 149 - 5.13

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) FISCAL YEAR 2013 COPS HIRING PROGRAM (CHP)

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick desires to apply for federal grant funds for the hiring of three (3) career law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Public Safety recommends the hiring of three (3) career law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, CHP is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority to impact their community policing capacity and problem solving efforts; and

WHEREAS, CHP grants provide up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level officer salary and fringe benefit cost, with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and a maximum federal share of \$125,000 per officer over a three-year grant period. CHP grant funding will be based on North Brunswick Township's current entry-level salary and benefit packages. Grant funds may be used to hire new, full-time sworn officer positions, to rehire officers who have been laid off, or to rehire officers who are scheduled to be laid off on a specific future date as a result of local budget cuts. All agencies' requests will be capped at no more than 5% of their actual sworn force strength reported in their application;

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of federal funding grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded under the CHP grant for a minimum of one year (12 months). The retained CHP-funded positions(s) shall be added to North Brunswick Township's law enforcement budget with local funds, over and above the number of locally-funded positions that would have existed in the absence of the grant;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, on this 20th Day of May 2013, by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey, that; The North Brunswick Township Police Department wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services with an application for three (3) law enforcement officers to be retained for at least one full year after grant funding ends.

ATTESTED BY:	
Kar? Mill	5/13/12
Kenneth P. McCormick, Director of Police	Date
Robert Lombard, Administrator	Date
Kala Sriranganathan, Chief Financial Officer	Date
Ronald Gordon, Esq. Township Attorney Certified as to Form	Date